

"BLUEBEARD" FACES TRIAL AS SLAYER OF NINE WIVES AND BOY

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of ten dates with numbers attached. The dates corresponded with the time that each of his alleged victims lived at Gambais and the attached numbers, the police believe, mark the exact hours he committed the murders.

The police at once went to Gambais and instituted a search of the villa. In the cellar they discovered bits of charred flesh and bones, and in the grounds the carcasses of a cat and two dogs which had been the property of two of the vanished women and which Landru admitted having killed after the women had left them on his hands.

While protesting his innocence, declaring he does not know what became of any of the women, Landru acknowledged he sold their effects, which he said they gave to him before they left the villa. But the neighbors told strange tales of seeing thick smoke pouring out of the villa's chimney during the hottest summer days. To all these charges Landru opposed an impenetrable silence.

SOME OF THE WOMEN WENT TO HIM WITH MONEY.

The first of the women who entered the Gambais villa, never to be seen again, was Mme. Chancel, a good looking widow whom Landru married and who went to Gambais with her fifteen-year-old son. Both mother and son presently disappeared. Mme. Guillot, also a widow, whom Landru fascinated with tales of his wealth, was the third. Mme. Leon of Havre was the fourth. She went to live with Landru, disappeared, and Landru afterward turned up at her apartment and removed her furniture. Mme. Huleson, the fifth, went to Gambais in September, 1914, with 15,000 francs, and Mme. Colomb, the sixth, went to the villa shortly afterward with 10,000 francs.

Number seven was Andre Babouy, a pretty and romantic girl, who worked for a Paris fortune teller, and number eight Mme. Jaume, a widow. The ninth was Mme. Pascal, who brought with her a cat which Landru admitted killing, and the tenth and final victim was Mlle. Marchandier, who went to Gambais on Jan. 18, 1919, taking with her 3,000 francs and her two pet dogs, whose carcasses were discovered, and which Landru admits destroying.

A proof of Landru's power of fascination is found in the fact that

HENRI LANDRU, "BLUEBEARD," HELD FOR TEN SLAYINGS



HENRI LANDRU

while he was getting Mme. Pascal into his clutches he had also caused her nineteen-year-old niece to fall in love with him. But Landru preferred Mme. Pascal and the niece was then packed off to Toulon, while Mme. Pascal and her cat went to Gambais, never to be seen again.

This modern "Bluebeard's" case presents many legal difficulties, inasmuch as there is no proof that any of the missing women is dead. They simply entered Landru's house and never were seen afterward.

Landru is somewhat of a wit and has delighted the French public. To the Magistrate who cross-examined him and remarked on the coincidences that he had so many sweethearts and that all had disappeared, Landru replied, "You probably have had sweethearts too, and you would be very embarrassed to say what became of them."

This thrust caused a laugh and he added: "You accuse me of killing my women friends. Some have disappeared, but there are plenty still living."

Two More Money Order Thieves Get Five Years Each.

Jerome Goldberg and Samuel Friedlander were sent to Atlanta prison for five years each to-day by Federal Judge Knox. They are two of the gang, three of whom have already been sent away and two more of whom are awaiting trial for stealing blank post office money orders, filling them in and cashing them. Goldberg was convicted last night. Friedlander pleaded guilty and was a witness for the prosecution.

MYSTERY OF GREAT \$300,000 ROBBERY ALL CLEARED UP

Finding of \$1,000 Package From Chicago Mail Theft Finishes Hunt.

CHICAGO, June 14.—With the arrest of Paul Bolanti, a grocer, and seizure in his home of \$1,000 in new bills, Department of Justice agents and police to-day say the \$300,000 mail robbery at the Dearborn Street Station is virtually cleared up. Eight men are in custody, including "Big Tim" Murphy, former State Legislator and now President of the Gas-house Workers' Union, who was arrested yesterday when \$112,300 was found hidden in a trunk at the home of his father-in-law.

With Murphy Federal Agents arrested Vincenzo Cosmano, who with Murphy were held last year in connection with the murder of "Boss" Enright and Edward Geirum, an alleged accomplice in the mail robbery. Others already in custody include Ralph Teter, a postal clerk on the Monon Railroad, who is said to have confessed; Samuel Simon, Peter Giesenberg and George R. Bradford.

According to Teter's alleged confession, post office inspectors say, the mail clerk met Murphy in an Indianapolis dry goods store in which the labor leader is interested. Teter is said to have confessed that Murphy was concealed nearby when the robbery was staged. The actual robbers drove up to the station in an automobile and began playing ball on a vacant lot. Teter was said to have admitted he watched for the registered mail truck and when it arrived tipped his hat. That was the signal to Murphy, who, the clerk claims, then tipped his hat as a signal to the ball players to rob the truck.

Murphy was taken to the Federal Building to-day. He confessed helping distribute the robbery proceeds last night when he led post office inspectors to the loot, they say, but steadfastly denied participating in the actual robbery.

BENNY LEONARD IN AUTO CRASH

Champion Has Narrow Escape From Car Said to Have Been Stolen.

Benny Leonard, lightweight champion, and his mother, Mrs. Minnie Leonard, both of No. 1875 Seventh Avenue, escaped serious injury this morning when an automobile in which they were riding with Edmund Borham of No. 118 West 130th Street, its owner, collided with another automobile at 125th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue.

As a result of the accident it was discovered, according to the police, that the other car, operated by a man who described himself as Paul Saghrue, twenty-four years old, real estate agent, of No. 42 Howard Avenue, Dorchester, Mass., had been stolen a short time before at 58th Street and Eighth Avenue. Saghrue was locked up in the West 125th Street Police Station by Detectives Gompers and Walsh.

Mrs. Leonard, Leonard and Borham were shaken up, but refused medical attention. The automobile, according to the police, is the property of James Keener of the Hotel Pennsylvania.

HALF A MILLION TO NORTH WESTERN

University Receives Half of That Amount From Soldier Killed in France.

EVANSTON, Ill., June 14.—Gifts aggregating nearly half a million dollars for advancing the work of Northwestern University were announced to-day by Dr. Walter Dill Scott, in connection with his inauguration as President of the institution. Included in the gifts was one for \$250,000 by George Alexander McKimlock Jr., who was killed in France.

The money is to be applied in development of the University's plans for a Chicago downtown campus for its School of Commerce of the United States to aid the summer school for executives of Chambers of Commerce and \$5,000 by Judge Robert H. Gary for the Gary Library of the School of Law.

Railroad Rates in Eastern Canada Reduced.

OTTAWA, June 14.—A 10 per cent. reduction in railroad fares in Eastern Canada July 1 was ordered to-day by the Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners. Western rates remain unchanged. The reduction will mean a return to the rates prevailing prior to Sept. 15, 1920.

to jack up the first car to get out Horner's body, and traffic on the line was delayed half an hour in consequence.

FEAR TWO TEACHERS DROWN IN HUDSON

Three Piermont Instructors Were in Canoe—One Unconscious After Swimming Ashore.

Most of the residents of Piermont, the village where the body of little Giuseppe Varotta was found, spent the early hours to-day searching for the bodies of two High School instructors believed to have been

drowned—Wilford H. Woodard, twenty-six, science teacher, and E. M. Godshall, twenty-six, physical instructor, of the Piermont High School. At 9 o'clock last night they started out in a canoe with George E. De Mille, twenty-two, English instructor of the school. At midnight De Mille swam to the beach at Fort Comfort Inn and became immediately unconscious. He was taken to the home of Chester Ackley nearby, but has not regained his senses, so it is not known what happened.

The searching parties found the overturned canoe near the pier, more than a mile from where the exhausted man swam ashore.

OVER ROOFS TO SAFETY.

Fire Drives Tenants To Escape by Neighboring House-tops.

A fire which started in the apartment of Mrs. Lucy Spaulding, who was burning sulphur for fumigating, drove

emptied the tenement at No. 2155 Fifth Avenue a little before eight o'clock to-day.

The flames spread so rapidly that the tenants on the fifth and fourth floors, including Mrs. Jacob Blatinsky and Mrs. Alma Horter and their children, had to be helped out over the roofs to neighboring buildings.

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